Biography:

Brenda L. Venable began her career with NRCS Rhode Island in April 2006 as an Accounting Technician. Brenda has completed over 20 years of Government Service, which includes work with the Defense Commissary Agency, Department of Veterans Affairs VA Hospitals in Leavenworth, KS and Providence, RI, and 9 ½ years active duty with the United States Army. She is a disabled veteran.

Brenda has an artistic side, which she likes to utilize when the opportunity arrives. Designing this year's poster for Hispanic Heritage Month an opportunity she could not pass up. Earlier this year, Brenda included her own photography work and designed NRCS Rhode Island Programs Outreach Postcard and Poster.

Brenda has two grown sons, ages 23 and 18. Recently she dropped her youngest son off to college to follow his dreams of running for a D1 college. Mom will need to make some serious adjustments in the upcoming year.

Poster Design Concept:

I selected the background picture our nation with roots; to show the strength of our nation, selected the color green to reflect healthy growth and development, and the roots symbolizes Hispanics getting involved and taking root in our nation.

My individual pictures were selected based on various activities and involvements that one my play in our communities. I wanted to display a wide array of diversity, based on occupations, along with gender, and an assortment of participation that Hispanics have in our communities and our nation.